Traditional Chinese penal law refers to the laws, regulations and rules used in China up to 1911, when the last imperial dynasty fell. It has undergone continuous development since at least the 11th century BC. This legal tradition is distinct from the common law and civil law traditions of the West as well as Islamic law and classical Hindu law and to a great extent, is contrary to the concepts of contemporary Chinese law.

"The Chinese traditionally despised the role of advocate and saw such people as parasites who attempted to profit from the difficulties of others. The magistrate saw himself as someone seeking the truth, not a partisan for either side."[1]. Two traditional Chinese terms approximate "law" in the modern Western sense. Need to translate "penal law" to Chinese? Here's how you say it. 

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